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Status					
1)⊠ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 15 De	ecember 2004.				
	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the ments is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.				
Disposition of Claims					
4) ☐ Claim(s) 3-8,10,11,14,15 and 21-25 is/are pending in the application. 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration. 5) ☐ Claim(s) is/are allowed.					
·	Claim(s) is/are rejected.				
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) Claim(s) <u>3-8,10,11,14,15 and 21-25</u> are subject	t to restriction and/or election rec	quirement.			
Application Papers					
9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.					
10)☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.					
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).					
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).					
11)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Ex	aminer. Note the attached Office	Action or form PTO-152.			
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119					
 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents 2. Certified copies of the priority documents 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority 	s have been received. s have been received in Applicati	on No			
application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).					
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.					
Attachment(s)					
Attachment(s) 1) D Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	4) 🔲 Interview Summary	(PTO-413)			
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DETAILED ACTION

1. This restriction is in response to the amendment filed December 15, 2004.

Election/Restrictions

2. This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

Embodiment I (Claims 3, 6-8, 10 and 11), directed to a resistor, an active region, an isolation region formed in the semiconductor material to surround the active region, a layer of insulation formed on the active region, a semiconductor structure formed on the isolation region and the layer of insulation and a doped region of a second conductivity type formed in the active region, the doped region having a length being substantially longer than the width;

Embodiment II (Claims 4, 5, 14 and 15), directed to a resistor, an active region, an isolation region formed in the semiconductor material to surround the active region, a layer of insulation formed on the active region, a semiconductor structure formed on the isolation region and the layer of insulation, a doped region of a second conductivity type formed in the active region, a pair of spaced apart contact structures that make an electrical connection to the doped region and a current flowing into a first contact structure of the pair, from the first contact structure through the doped region, and from the doped region out of a second contact structure of the pair; and

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Embodiment III (Claims 21-25), directed to a resistor, a doped region of a second conductivity type formed in semiconductor material, the doped region having a length being substantially greater than the width, a layer of insulation that contacts the semiconductor material, a first semiconductor structure that contacts the layer of insulation, a second semiconductor structure that contacts that layer of insulation and an opening lying between the structures and directly vertically over the doped region.

Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, none are generic.

Applicant is advised that a reply to this requirement must include an identification of the species that is elected consonant with this requirement, and a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141. If claims are added after the election, applicant must indicate which are readable upon the elected species. MPEP § 809.02(a).

Should applicant traverse on the ground that the species are not patentably distinct, applicant should submit evidence or identify such evidence now of record showing the species to be obvious variants or clearly admit on the record that this is the case. In either instance, if the

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examiner finds one of the inventions unpatentable over the prior art, the evidence or admission may be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) of the other invention.

- 3. Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).
- 4. Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Monica Lewis whose telephone number is 571-272-1838.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Amir Zarabian can be reached on 571-272-1852. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-308-7722 for regular and after final communications. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-0956.

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March 1, 2005

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